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Journalism is literature
in a hurry . . .
—Matthew Arnold

Amnesty Week Begins April 5

An amendment which would grant a week of amnesty to students with traffic violations was passed at Tuesday's Senate meeting. The amendment reads:

The Dean of Students, Mr. Donald Sutton, and the Chief of Security, Mr. Robert Lutz, agree to a week of amnesty for all campus traffic violators with accumulated fines. These violators shall pay 25 percent of their present fine during the week of April 5-9, 1976 from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1 p.m.-2 p.m. in the Dean of Students' Office.

The Student Association of Saint Michael's does agree with this proposal and supports the efforts of the Administration to curb traffic violations on campus. The Student Association also agrees that the ticket amnesty is valid only during the aforementioned dates and is not scheduled as an annual event.

Originally, the Senate had proposed that it be held for one day and all fines be reduced to \$10. However, this meant that someone with a \$20 fine would pay the same as someone with a \$110 fine, thus the percentage basis.

A motion was made to look into the possibility of lowering parking fines from \$5. It was cited that parking fines in Burlington are only \$1.

Daniel A. McCusker, student co-ordinator for Parents' Weekend, made a motion that was passed which transferred \$300 from the Cultural Events Committee to the weekend. He stated that the weekend has \$4900 and needs \$5400. McCusker added that money was needed to cover the \$300 in royalties and \$100 in props for the play to be performed.

S.A. Vice President Paul R.



Lutz at work.

Mazzaccaro said, "If we can spend \$3500 for a band for P-Day, then Parents' Weekend can have \$300."

Ray Czpanski said the movies sponsored by the Cultural Events Committee had been successful and felt that instead of this committee giving money, the administration should give more.

McCusker stated that the administration had given more than last year, but the Senate had decreased its allotment.

The Cultural Events Chairman, Michael P. Smith, said there would only be two more movies and the committee would transfer the money.

Also concerning the weekend, McCusker said that the prices for meals were raised as Saga had to open the cafeteria early and close later and hire additional help. It was requested that Saga give a cost breakdown of meals, such as amounts designated for food, supplies and labor.

A motion was made to look

by Cindy von Beren

into changing registration from Sept. 1, 1976 to Sept. 8, 1976. In discussion, the following points were brought up:

— This is before Labor Day, thus causing students to lose a work week.

— If the date were changed, vacation would be lost.

— If the day were changed and vacation not lost, the school could lose accreditation.

It was also voted to give \$15 to each SMC couple that participated in the M.S. Marathon. This would total \$25.

April 10 has been designated as Green-Up Day. S.A. President Robert E. "Buzz" Ansheles reported that Dean Sutton has arranged for trucks, shovels and trash cans.

Elections for S.A. officers and class officers will be held Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Inauguration of the officers will be held Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Klein, followed by a party in lower Klein at 8 p.m., open to the campus.

Six Houses Set For Women

Dean Sutton has made plans for women's housing on Dalton Drive for next year. Working through John Buchan, Sutton hopes to have the women take over six houses for residency.

According to Sutton, before further plans can be made it is necessary for students to go to his office and make out their request for residency forms. "It is difficult to work with numbers when we do not know how many students we are going to deal with in this matter," Sutton said.

In other housing matters, a French and a Spanish house will open next year on Dalton Drive, according to Sutton. Each house will have 10 men and 10 women.

Chairman of the Modern Language Department, Dr. Dennis Delaney, has stated that the students living in the houses do not have to be language majors. "Students interested should have the first year of the language or

its equivalent with at least a "B" grade," Delaney stated. Any students who want to take advantage of the opportunity should do so, Delaney added.

Along with 20 American students in each house, there will be four to six international students who speak their native language — French or Spanish.

There will be a resident advisor for each house and a head resident in charge of the particular area, Sutton stated. "With the patrol of the UVM security and St. Michael's security, there should be no problem with security," Sutton added.

Students living in these houses will be able to utilize the language. Events for the houses will include international meals, commercial films, musical evenings, speakers, and formal and informal cultural events.

There will be no pressures

placed on students living in these houses as far as their aptitude for expressing the language is concerned. No grades will be given to the students concerning what they do with the house, according to Delaney. Students should not feel that they are "not good enough" for this housing program, Delaney stated. The houses will not be a classroom.

The development of the language houses was started by Dr. Delaney. Kathleen Rupright, assistant professor of modern languages, will be in charge of the Spanish house. Anne McConnell, also assistant professor of modern languages, will be in charge of the French house.

If the language housing is a success next year, Sutton stated that perhaps further housing can be instituted according to subject and interest.

Exclusive interview with Dr. Henry, SMC President

'Squeeze...the grading system'

"St. Michael's is producing too much of its revenue from tuition and fees," according to Dr. Edward L. Henry, the college's new president, who assumed his position Monday. He added that the school will try to relieve the pressure on tuition.

Henry said the average school should get 65 percent to 70 percent of its total revenue from tuition, but at St. Michael's, the figure was approximately 80 percent.

The president stated that he held three priorities for SMC as an institution. "We want academic excellence; St. Michael's has a good record, we want to keep it and improve it," he declared. To do this, Henry said admission will become more difficult.

Secondly, Henry said the college had to improve its resources, such as providing sufficient salaries to attract good teachers and a faculty that is well educated and has a high morale.

The continuation of faculty development was another priority. He said that "60 percent to 70 percent of our faculty will be tenured and protected from

termination." These teachers will need a chance to refresh themselves, so Henry said he would put "a high premium on leaves of absence."

Concerning grade inflation, Henry said that colleges have to "squeeze water out of the grading system." He stated that grades could not be altered dramatically now, as seniors will be entering the job market, rather, the process should start when the students are freshmen.

Henry stated that he puts "a heavy premium on good food." He added that at St. Mary's College in South Bend, Ind., where he was president until August 1974, Saga produced excellent food. The president said that food is important for students' morale; "the best of food eaten too consistently loses its attractiveness." He does not foresee eliminating Saga as the food service.

"It is a question that will be looked at in an evolving way by our constituencies," Henry said, while discussing the possibility of co-educational dorms. He added that the decision for these dorms should be "made collectively by

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Presidential Race Attracts Two Candidates:

Candidates Speak on Major Issues

TOM PAYNE

As this year's Senator from Nu House, I think that it would be best to let everyone know how I voted this year on major issues.

I voted against reducing the size of the Senate because I feel that there would be even less communication between the student body and the Senate if each house had only one Student Representative.

I voted for giving the Class Presidents a vote, because I think that would give power to the office. The Class President would be representing his class in a viable way.

I think that something is being put over on the students when suddenly teachers are giving standardized tests, complaining about grade inflation, lowering grades and then they don't allow teacher evaluations this semester. It's a pretty flimsy excuse to say that the person running the computer isn't able to handle the evaluations. If he isn't qualified to operate the computer, he shouldn't be there.

Major areas which I plan to have improved are more parking areas, putting a drainage system in the quad so that we don't have a lake each spring, the mini-cafe open on weekends, a security system which would be voted on by the students living in the

JEFFERY MCKEOWN

As a member of the Student Senate for the past two years, and as Epsilon House President this year, I've been able to grasp many of the problems facing students here at St. Mike's.

Some of the ideas I have would include expanding the movie series next year and lowering the price. The movies this year have been a big success. However, a lack of dates in the Art Center has prevented the program from becoming a regular, weekly affair. More dates and a lower price should help attract even more students next year.

Intramurals are an important part of student life on campus and yet this year the Senate was kept pretty much in the dark about how that program was progressing. We need an Athletic Chairman who can devote many hours a week to assist Zaf with intramurals. The Senate would benefit from a closer tie with intramurals, since they affect so many.

Washers and dryers on this campus have proven to be a big problem for students this year. I would hope to be able to work with Mr. Buchan and that new Facilities Chairman to straighten out the problem before students return in September.

Also, I would try hard for a better working relationship with

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Editorial

Markey's Letter Meets Opposition

In a March 24 letter to Mrs. Chris Goldberg, the Executive Director of the Northern Vermont Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Edward P. Markey, athletic director, stated:

"I want to make it clear to you, as I did with Glenn (Farley), that I was not completely satisfied with the conduct of the event last year and unless our agreement is abided by to the fullest I will, in the future, withdraw this facility as a site."

Markey went on to list six demands. Many of these were reasonable, such as the mandatory use of sneakers by contestants, no use of gym equipment and no frisbee throwing. However, the athletic director also said that there was no cleanup of the mess made by food and drink in the balcony press box area and no cleanup of the seats in the balcony area.

It seems ironic that St. Michael's was presented with the Hope Chest Award, the ultimate award from M.S., Sunday. In accepting the award, SMC President, The Rev. Francis Moriarty, said the marathon was the ultimate Christian thing to do.

Therefore, it appears that after many people invested over 40 hours during the weekend, plus endless time organizing the event which donated \$20,000 to the coffers of its worthy cause, for Markey to demand that someone clean the seats or else, is unreasonable. Surely, the college janitors who clean the gym regularly can clean the seats.

Granted, it was generous for the athletic director to grant the M.S. Society use of the Ross Sports Center for two years. But, perhaps if he was so concerned with the building, he would have "put in an appearance," especially at the closing ceremonies, as did Vermont's Lt. Gov. Brian Burns, Father Moriarty, Donald Sutton, Lewis Whitney, Sr. Jeannette Asselin, Dr. George Olgay, and Fred Schneider.

—CVB

P-Day is May 8

Plans are now in progress for this year's Spring Weekend to be held May 7-9. According to Kevin Ryan, social committee chairman, the event is expected to have the best entertainment ever.

On Friday there will be a semi-formal at Marble Island resort area from 6 p.m. till 2 p.m. Cocktails will be served at 6 p.m. and continue until 7 p.m. Dinner will follow at 7 p.m. with London Broil heading the menu. Dancing will be held from 9 p.m. till 2 a.m., with live entertainment provided by an eight-piece show band called "Black and Blue".

Saturday, P-Day, will host the traditional festivities. There will be refreshments served most of the day for the students and their guests. "Food will be served similar to last year," Ryan said,

"two hours on and one hour off."

Saturday night at the North Campus gym entertainment will be provided by the "Alligators". They will play a host of songs featuring a history of "Rock and Roll".

On Sunday there will be a coffee house at Klein Student Center. Talent from the college will be provided. The coffee house will last from 8 p.m. till 1 a.m.

All mixed drinks at the semi-formal will be a discount of \$1.00 and beer will be 60c. Ryan asked that no liquor be taken into the building. If any liquor is found, the bar prices will be raised.

There will be a limited number of guests per person for the weekend. There will also be a charge for the extra guests.

Seat of Vice President Attracts 3 Contenders

Paul "Scoop" Edwards

I am running for the office of Vice-President of the Student Association because I have certain ideas about our college government that I would like to see become realities. I believe my qualifications to be, among other things, a more than adequate contact with various sections of this community, an active participation in many of the organizations on campus, and a working knowledge of student government due to an involvement that dates back to high school.

I do not profess to know all that may lie ahead for next year's vice-president, but from what I do know, my platform is as follows. 1) I can assure the students that I will attend all functions which the Constitution demands of me, and will verse myself in the rules of order which govern senate functions. 2) I will maintain a close and working relationship with the President of the Student Association, regardless of whom that may be. 3) Most important of all, I will govern the Nominations Committee with complete and total objectivity, making appointments on the basis of skills and qualifications, not degrees of friendliness.

Finally, I would like to say that communication among the various levels of this college has, in the past, been good, but could always stand for a great deal of improvement. The Student Association is or should be the voice of the student, and as vice-president, I would do my part to let it be heard by the other levels, as well as allowing those other groups, such as faculty, administration, and alumni, to communicate with the student. I am, of course, well aware of the limitations of the office, but as vice-president, I would work toward an openness above what we have even now. I believe the key word for any campaign this year is Rapport: it can work.

Lou Flemming

As a two-year member of the S.A., as a Senator in my Sophomore year and President of Mu-Chi House this year, I feel that I can be an effective vice-president of the S.A. I am confident that things can change for the better here and I am ready to work and speak out for the students. It is one thing to realize that a problem exists, but quite another to do something about it. This year the Senate has been plagued with a "we can't do anything" attitude. We discovered various problems that have existed at St. Mike's and were shoved aside by the previous Senates but we have not gone past the realization that these problems exist. Next year the Senate must take this information and strive to improve such things as the meal plan, the bus situation, and library security. The students cannot continue to be led by the nose due to a lack of initiative. The Senate has the power to change things by presenting alternatives to the way things are presently done. I feel that I have the ability to work with the Senate to get things done. Through my experiences, I feel that I have learned how to deal diplomatically with others, compromise, and to detect when someone is giving me the run-around. As a working member of the S.A., I feel that I have the knowledge to effect needed changes.

To All Michaelmen:

The giving of yourself in any form is the greatest gift. We would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to all those people who support us in our cause for M.S.

Some day this dreaded disease will be conquered and your support has helped continue the fight. Again, thank you all, and may good health be yours always.

John V.J. Kelly
Ellen Wheeler

John Moran

I am sick and tired of candidates whose platforms include calling an end to apathy in the Senate. In my opinion this theme, in and of itself, is empty campaign rhetoric. Apathy is not a real issue facing the Senate; rather it is a symptom which accompanies the Senate's real problems.

One of the problems has been the autocracy of the Senate president this year. Another has been the failure of the Senate to get solutions to many of the issues which concern SMC students.

One of the biggest downfalls of this year's Senate has been the autocracy of Buzz Ansheles. Although Buzz has done an excellent individual job, it seems whatever Buzz wanted he got. Unfortunately, what our president has wanted has not always been what our students have wanted. As S.A. vice president, the officer who actually runs the Senate meetings, I will try to make sure that next year's Senate is not a one-man show. In my opinion, a rubber stamp Senate is an apathetic one, whereas a plurative Senate is a concerned entity. A Senate free of autocracy is more capable of discussing the real problems facing SMC.

The question as to whether or not the S.A. president should be on the Board of Trustees is another problem. I believe we should demand it, not just ask for it, because it's our lives they are shaping. We would have key says in choice of food plans and say about tuition hikes if we had a vote.

Important problems facing the Senate this year will be the outrageous price of parking tickets, weekend meals at the mini-cafe for students who live up north, the shuttle bus, and dorm security in Ryan and Lyons halls.

In conclusion, if I am elected S.A. vice-president, I will fight for a pluralistic Senate which will, out of necessity, be less apathetic and more productive than past years.

VPIRG COLUMN


Malpractice Crisis Comes To Head

Four bills have been introduced in the Vermont Legislature dealing with medical malpractice. VPIRG feels that the most important of the four is S. 169. This bill sets up a voluntary arbitration panel to determine the merits of an alleged malpractice and to make a binding decision on the evidence presented.

The purpose of the arbitration panel is to keep litigation costs at a minimum. The panel would allow for speedier handling of claims, save time for both parties and provide a more informal, less intimidating setting for the proceeding. In addition, the arbitration process is conducted without the emotional overtones of the adversary atmosphere of the courtroom.

The arbitration panel would be selected from a number of lists

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FEATURES

"Lines in Nature" on Display in M.A.C.

The first two-person show in the history of the MAC Art Gallery will go on display April 1.

"Lines in Nature," the name of the exhibit, consists of 12 color photographs by Robert Silverstein and 12 water color paintings by Nicole Vanasse. Both are seniors at St. Michael's.

In January, Miss Vanasse began a new trend based on Chinese painting, trying to show how the basics of Chinese painting are intrinsic in her style. She said the stark quality in some of the more strict Chinese paintings can be related to the blackness in the photographs.

The two media, basically dealing with nature, try to convey a subtle simplicity of subject matter.

Both artists agreed that Chinese painting has the appearance of a free-flowing spirit. It is a less deliberate, more spontaneous type of work.

Miss Vanasse has been interested in art all her life. She is

an English major and also in charge of art work and reviews for **The Michaelman**.

Silverstein has been working with photography eight or nine years. He selected his photographs from ones taken over the past two years.

He is a psychology major and chairman of the Klein Governing Board.

The exhibit will last until April 14.

Both students hope to get public as well as campus exposure since their works will be on display during the St. Michael's spring production.

Looking for a non-commercial place to display their works, the students had to receive permission from the committee designed to decide what is displayed in the art gallery. The procedure consisted of giving the committee a preliminary showing of their works.

Both have expressed excitement about the exhibit.

The works are for sale upon consultation with the artists.

Harris and Clements at BMC

by Neil Callahan

Two fine country artists, Emmylou Harris and her Hot Band and the legendary fiddler Vassar Clements moved into the Burlington Memorial Auditorium Tuesday evening to provide some foot stomping, country music for a full house.

The music began with Vassar Clements and band, who played some down-home tunes to the great approval of the Vermonters on hand. One of the first numbers played by the band was "Panama Red", done in the "Old and In the Way" style. Bass player Mike McBride sang lead on this song as he did on most of the non-instrumental songs.

Vassar got the crowd very loose by telling them how he loves Vermont and wished he could play all night.

Clements stepped up to sing "Boogie in the Barnyard", a good-time song. Most of the songs were country boogie with breaks for piano, sax, pedal steel, and a lot of fiddling. In the middle of the set, Mike McBride took up an acoustic guitar and the band did three bluegrass tunes.

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McBride was featured on these songs and did some incredible picking. "Big Sandy River", "Redwood Hills", a Gordon Lightfoot song, and the traditional "Sitting On Top of the World" were done to an enthusiastic response.

The band moved back to fiddle tunes that included a song on both Richard Betts' "Highway Call" album and the "Old and In the Way" album. "Kissimmee Kid" was the song and it was jazzed up a bit and extended to allow for solos on all instruments, including sax.

A Band number, "Rag Mama Rag" and what Clements called the fiddlers' national anthem, "Orange Blossom Special", helped round out his set.

A mellower Emmylou Harris and her Hot Band followed and performed to a quieted-down crowd. She was also very loose and had good rapport with the audience. "Feeling Single, Seeing Double", "If I Could Only Win Your Love", and "Bluebird Wine" were included in her set.

Harris stood up front playing

acoustic guitar for the most part. Her frail voice was backed by good harmonies from her band. A highlight of the show was when Vassar Clements joined her for three numbers.

These songs included the traditional country rocker, "Jambalaya" as well as "Ooh, Las Vegas" and "Cry One More Time."

As the concert drew to a close Emmylou and band began playing more up-beat songs. To my disappointment the show ended as the band and audience seemed to be at their peak. Many people were up dancing by the time the encores, "Queen of the Silver Dollar" and "Forty Days" were completed.

Following the concert at the BMA, Emmylou and Vassar moved into Nectors to jam with the Pine Island String Band, to the pleasant surprise of all who were on hand.

It was indeed good to see and hear some fine country music being played and truly enjoyed by the artists. The close feeling of both Harris and Clements in relation to the crowd made the evening even more enjoyable.

Twenty Years Spent In SMC Cafe



Photo by Mike Hamel

—Ann Baldelli

Drinking: You Gotta Be Kidding

by John Acton

Last Friday was one of those beautiful days; the sun was shining, the clouds were few, and the breeze was slight, it was a perfect day to spend indulged in nature's life-long sport, beverageing.

So, it was last Friday that we were all just sitting there talking about summer jobs and how we will all be switching from our winter beverages to our summer beverages. And talk was heard about how a Bloody Mary always tastes better in the morning than in the evening, for some unknown reason. But it was around this time that someone took out that little quiz on drinking that was in last week's **Michaelman**.

Now, if the memory is correct, it was the Hammerhead, three stools down, who was drinking the gin 'n tonic, that started reading the questions out loud. When he read question one, "Do you think and talk about drinking often?", the boob two seats to my left decided to answer that one. He said in effect that he saw nothing wrong with thinking and talking about drinking, he went on to state that he thinks and talks about sex every day and that he was still a virgin. We all looked at one another, and then one of us said, "Sure, buddy," and then we all moved two stools away from him, but he seemed harmless so he was allowed to

stay even though he didn't say a thing the rest of the day.

Well, on question two, "Do you drink now more than you used to?", everyone thought that was crazy, because a few years ago some of us weren't even old enough to drink. And the idiot drinking Heineken on his way to the men's room for the tenth time, told us he remembers in the sixth grade when he could only drink three beers.

Question three was too easy, "Do you sometimes gulp drinks?". "Well, if your ride is leaving, what are you supposed to do?" asked the gentleman to my left, who was drinking a stinger. Everyone agreed on that statement. Well, question four was addressed to myself. "Do you often take a drink to help you relax?" That was a definite yes; everytime I think that someday I might be married I reach for a quick one. It was on that note the gentleman to my left spit his drink all over the bar because he was laughing so hard. Whether he was laughing at my statement or at the two girls who had been sitting behind us at a table but were now leaving with one of them giving me half a peace sign, went unsolved. After the commotion had died down, questions five and six were considered too stupid to even answer, so we went on to question seven.

Question seven was another dumb question; "Do you keep a bottle hidden somewhere — at home or work — for a quick pick-me-up?"

"What a stupid question," said the clown, six stools down drinking an old fashioned, "who would risk hiding a bottle and taking a chance on forgetting where it was hid?" That was as funny as question eight, "Do you need a drink to have fun?" "If you're having fun, you're probably drinking," said the man with the torpedo breath, who was drinking a zombie. Question nine, "Do you ever start drinking without really thinking about it?" We skipped that question because no one understood the question to start off with.

And question ten, "Do you drink in the morning to relieve a hangover?" "Well, anyone who answers no to that question has never had a morning head caused by drinking martinis the night before," said the blockhead at the end of the bar who was chewing on his seventh olive.

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[Thomas Love Peacock: The Misfortunes of Elphin]

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dorms, and finally, better scheduling for intramural sports and women's sports. Having spent the past two years building Klein and now scheduling events in the student center, I feel that I have the ability to organize well, and I achieve the goals I set.

McKeown

the various media on campus. With a new President of the College taking office, the S.A. President must be willing to work hard enough to assert the student position while respecting the Administration's views. I realize the job entails a lot of work but I'm more than willing to take on this challenge.

Spooner: Marathon's Shining Star

by Marianne Panzeri

As typical of any marathon, this year's MS dance marathon was no different. There was the usual assortment of ace bandages, sore muscles and dragging feet. However, the enthusiastic dancers didn't allow their physical conditions to deter them from reaching their goals. The general consensus of the participants was that "combatting the marathon boredom" was the toughest.

Dancing in the early morning and after meals seem to hurt most of the dancers' morales. However, Merv Spooner, 41, danced against WJOY's disc jockey John Nichols in competition, hoping to break the monotony for all participants.

Spooner had to be declared the most unique contestant. He stated, "I'm here for a damn good time, and to help MS. I lost my partner within the first hour now I have to stay in and show the kids up." He did it, too!

Throughout the entire marathon choruses of "I'm having a great time" were heard by the majority of the dancers. The cutest statement about their goals was received from 11-year-old Michelle Dufore, "Right after the marathon, me and



Merv Spooner

Photo by Mike Hamel

James are going out to get sponsors for next year." Unfortunately, Michelle didn't last the entire forty hours, but her partner, James Valla (age 12) did.

Two-time veteran Jeanne Morrissey (inventor of the Morrissey Shuffle) of Rice High School stated that she enters the marathon annually for "the satisfaction of winning . . . I love to dance and it's the only time all year," that she does it.

Chris Esposito, a senior at Champlain Junior College, has participated in other marathons

'Squeeze . . .'

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students, board members, parents and alumni." Henry stressed that the "fears and expectations were exaggerated" in regard to these living facilities.

On another matter, Dr. Henry said that Business Manager John Buchan, "one of the people who kept the place solvent," will be replaced between now and July 1977. He stated that Buchan did a good job and the school was using a thorough selection process to fill the position.

Mr. John Hof will be arriving on Monday to assume the position of administrative assistant to the president. Henry stressed that this is not a new position, but a position that Father Francis Moriarty never filled. He added that Hof had been his assistant at St. Mary's. In addition, Hof is in the publication business and the president hopes he will be able to

assist Giff Hart in the Public Relations Office.

Henry said that he came to St. Michael's "because I wanted to get back into the administrative game." He also said he wanted the opportunity to influence education.

The president previously worked 28 years with small, private Catholic institutions, both male and female. St. Michael's gives him his first opportunity to deal with a co-educational facility.

Henry has edited two books and has written numerous educational articles. He stated that he wants to teach at the college and has approached Dr. George Olgyay about teaching in the Political Science Department starting in September.

Cindy von Beren
Richard Long

Keep Highways Clean of Billboards

WASHINGTON—U.S. Sen. Robert T. Stafford, R-Vt., pledged here to continue his fight against billboard lobby proposals "that would virtually assure that thousands of miles of highways protected at present would become billboard alleys, particularly in rural parts of the nation."

Stafford said one of the most controversial issues before a Senate-House Committee of Conference, of which he is a member, is an effort to change the Highway Beautification Act of 1965.

"One proposal would actually stop the effort to take down offending billboards and replace it with a program that would stimulate the construction of new billboards," he said.

"My response to all this is to reaffirm my commitment to the cause of highway beautification and my opposition to legislation that would encourage the construction of new billboards along highways in Vermont and other states," Stafford said.

Vermont's highway billboard laws and policies are the envy of many other states, said Congress could better respond to the needs of the tourist industry and of environmentalists, "If only the billboard lobby would end its hard-sell, self-serving efforts to defeat the goals of the Highway Beautification Act."

He said he would continue to work for legislation that would "give Vermont and other like-minded states all the federal support possible to see that highway billboards come down — rather than go up."

Crown & Sword to Sponsor Swim Program, Banquet

This Friday night, April 2nd, at the Ross Sports Center, the Crown & Sword Cavaliers will take on the faculty in a rematch basketball game due to public demand.

The Crown will see some added strength on its bench because of a fresh new sophomore class, which shall help run the erudite faculty off the court. Also, added rebounding strength will be employed with more veteran members participating.

Also, the Crown will be organizing a swim program for St. Joe's Orphanage this Saturday morning, April 3rd, at 11:00 a.m. One fallacy which should be destroyed is that you don't have to be a fantastic swimmer to participate since a lifeguard will be present. What you must be able to do, however, is get up at 10:30 a.m. on a Saturday morning, which can be more of a challenge than swimming to some of us.

Finally, the Crown & Sword Induction Banquet will be held at Nector's lounge in Burlington on Friday, the 9th. This should be a good time with a buffet provided for the members. It will be specially meaningful for some members who will be graduating and therefore should be pretty lively.

—S.J.M.



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LONG SHOTS

by Dick Long, Sports Editor '77

A correction on last week's column: I alluded that two of the final 4 at the NCAA basketball tournament at Philadelphia had entered gridiron post-season action, and two were from the same conference. It should have been written that two of the final four at the NCAA basketball tournament went on to further post-season gridiron competition.

SMC had a couple of representatives at the NCAA Tournament, A.D. Edward Markey and Assistant A.D. Walter Bauman took in the 4 contests. They also attended a meeting for Athletic Directors of the NCAA. In the Rutgers-Michigan game Saturday it appeared as though Rutgers left their shooting sneakers back in New Jersey. It would have been nice to see an Eastern team get into the finals for once, though. UCLA was just outnosed and out-defensed by a stronger Michigan team, that lost to Indiana twice this season by two at home and by 6 in overtime at Indiana.

In the Grape Fruit League, reports are coming out that the N.Y. Yankees will not be looking for the longball as much and will be concentrating on the little things that often win ball games, i.e., bunting, baserunning, hitting the right cut-off man. The Red Sox are early favorites to repeat as Eastern Champs. The big acquisition being right-hander Ferguson Jenkins to bolster an already strong staff of front-line hurlers. The Tigers & Brewers will probably fight it out for last with the Indians playing only slightly better than .500 ball, if that. The Orioles may really be hurting if Paul Blair (.260 last year) and Brooks Robinson (.225) cannot rebound to respectability. Lefty Mike Cuellar must also be effective or Mike Torrez and Jim Palmer will be the only hurlers manager Earl Weaver can depend upon. Their bullpen is also suspect.

In closing this week, I would like to comment on the lack of recognition John Balczuk received from the press. As a senior, he averaged 20 points per game and carried the majority of the scoring punch when center Ken Johnson was ill midway through the season. Whenever we needed a bucket or needed that last-ditch shot, there was only one man we all thought would do the shooting. There was never a doubt. Apparently the coaches and sportswriters throughout New England had some doubt. Balczuk did receive some form of acknowledgement, an honorable mention from the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference but truly not what he deserved. What else can you expect from a 12-14 team with an All-American already on it?

Last week Balczuk was named MVP in the University vs. College Division All-Star game. The game was played by the best collegiate basketball players in New England.

Outing Club Climbs, Kayaks and Canoes Through Vermont

Photo by J.V.J. Kelly

With St. Michael's College snuggled into the foothills of Vermont, one might expect that there would be an active SMC outing club, taking advantage of the natural recreational possibilities within arm's reach of the campus. Yet, it wasn't until this past year that the Outing Club, under the leadership of junior Charlie Crangle, came into its own.

The Outing Club holds activities, which are open to all SMC students, everywhere from the Lyme Kiln to the Long Trail. In fact, hiking the Long Trail is a regular Outing Club event. Last October twelve members of the Club spent a weekend on the Trail up and around Jay Peak. They have also hiked up Mt. Mansfield. Crangle said that he would like to see more people in the club. "We don't let the problem of equipment stop someone from being active in the club. If you don't have a backpack, it's not much of a problem because we can get you one."

The Club's expertise for climbing and hiking doesn't get stored when the autumn cold arrives. Starting as early as September the Club holds Rock Climbing Clinics three or four times a week at the Rock Cut along the railroad tracks near the Lyme Kiln Bridge. 20-35 students can be seen learning the fundamentals of Rock Climbing. The Club has its own equipment and those who are teaching are veteran rock climbers. Crangle noted that, "More girls than guys are active in rock climbing and a lot of the other club activities."

With the season's first snow storm the club switches from



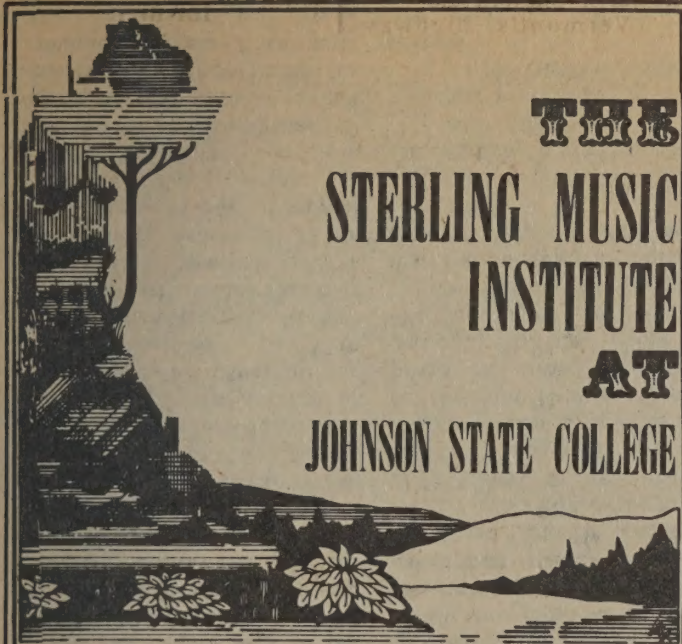
rock climbing to Ice and Snow Climbing. The ice gullies in Smugglers Notch, Chapel Pond, and Roaring Brook Falls in the Adirondacks are a few of the places where the club climbs. Crampons and ice axes are two pieces of equipment essential to ice climbing, and the Club does own a few of each.

In preparation for the Winter months, the Outing Club cut and cleared three to four miles of cross-country trails on SMC property. They also marked and mapped the trails which run around the SMC ski slope and other areas. On Winter Weekend the Club held a major Cross-Country Skiing event. Everyone that participated was able to rent skis for only 2 dollars. Fifty-five people participated with nearly forty renting their skis. The Outing Club, trying to meet everyone's outdoor interests,

sponsored a Ski Rack demonstration on Cross-Country Skiing. The Ski Rack taught the proper techniques in waxing and using your skis. This was an Outing Club annual event.

Aside from **The Ski Rack**, the Outing Club does the majority of its business with the Dakin Mountain Shop. Last semester when the Club took a canoe trip at the Dead Creek Wildlife area in Addison County, they rented eight canoes for only four dollars each. During this interview, Kaigle remarked, "One good thing about the Outing Club which few people are aware of is that we get special rates on all equipment. It's a big asset for the Club."

"If you haven't been in the Club this year, keep your eyes open for meetings. There are no prerequisites; just your interest in the outdoors." Meetings are held Monday evenings at 7 p.m.



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on file in each court district. The panel would include a judicial referee, a member of the same branch of the medical profession as the defendant, and a layperson. The court administrators would select the judicial referee, while the other two members of the panel would be selected at random from the lists.

Although the findings of the panel would be binding both the plaintiff and the defendant must initially agree to abide by the panel's decision. If either party decides not to seek a settlement through the Board, both have a right to a full-scale trial. This voluntary provision eliminates any possible limitation of one's right to due process of law. In addition, the scope of the arbitration proceedings must be defined, by the parties involved, prior to beginning the hearing.

The malpractice problem:

The malpractice crisis is viewed differently by consumers than by members of the health professions. The part of the problem that has the greatest impact on medical consumers is the injuries themselves. Therefore

the question that must be answered concerning the legislation is whether or not the proposed bill provides a just, speedy and inexpensive determination of the malpractice issue. VPIRG recognizes the value of efforts to mediate medical malpractice disputes outside the highly expensive and thoroughly time-consuming court process. Voluntary arbitration offers a fair means of getting at the truth concerning an alleged malpractice case.

The second most important cost paid by consumers is the cost in dollars and cents. At present, Vermonters are paying over \$200 million a year in health costs. Additional costs caused by increases in malpractice insurance rates should be avoided.

VPIRG believes that the availability of medical malpractice insurance for health providers at a reasonable cost, is an absolute necessity, both for the protection of the doctor and more importantly for the protection of the general public. In the end the added insurance premium costs will only be passed on to the consumer anyway.

Long Shots

by Dick Long,
Sports Editor '77

Athletic Director Edward P. Markey announced today that Robert Gordon Orr, former NHL and Boston Bruin All-Star defenseman, has been chosen from a field of candidates to replace retiring Lou Duhamel as St. Michael's College hockey coach. Earlier this year, Orr reinjured an old knee ailment and will now try his hand at coaching behind the bench of the Purple Knights.

John Wooden, former Dean of NCAA University Basketball the Defense. Wooden's use of the man-to-man defense earned UCLA 11 championships in 13 years. Athletic Director Markey also announced that this year's trip to Florida by the Lacrosse Club will become an annual affair. What will the success of this year's trip be for the team? A new addition to this year's team is Illie Natassie, former pro tennis star. Natassie has been suspended from participating in any professional tournaments for one year. SMC is truly fortunate to be able to obtain the services of such a great sportsman and Man for all Seasons.

Tom Carlson has signed a multi-year contract to act as personal bodyguard to Bill Arnsperger, head coach of the New York Football Giants. Bob "Peanuts" Morlath will serve as his second in command of security.

Junior Paul Murphy has been contacted by New England Patriots' Coach Chuck Fairbanks to fill the shoes of since departed QB Jim Plunkett. Murphy was quoted as saying he would go on condition he could bring his offensive line from St. Mike's to protect him. Fairbanks was also interested in 6'9" Ken Johnson to play alongside of Julius Adams on the defensive line.

National Powerhouse (??) Rutgers has announced it will not schedule St. Mary's home for the Blind more than 10 times on next year's basketball schedule. Our Lady of Fatima's Home for Wayward juveniles has demanded equal time and will receive the other 10 dates on the schedule. Coach Tom Young was quoted as saying, "NCAA regulations only permit us to schedule x number of games and the kind Sister who called for the dates was an old teacher I had in grammar school on Long Island."

Reports out of New York have Yankee owner George Steinbrenner sporting an Afro hairdo. Influenced by outfielder Oscar Gamble's success at the plate and the field, and also with the ladies, has prompted Steinbrenner to opt for this popular new do.

My predictions for the upcoming American League East 1976 Season: The winner: New York Yankees by 7 1/2 games over the Detroit Tigers, a surprise team that came from way back out of the doldrums of last season (60 wins, 102 losses). MVP honors went to the bat boys of the Cleveland Indians for being on time for batting practice every game, edging out Thurmon Munson of the Champion N.Y. Yankees, who broke his arm on the 2nd day of the season when he fell out of the shower after going 4-4 with 16 RBIs — leading the league based on percentages of games played in both home runs and RBIs.

Michaelman Wins Forge Medal

Bomb Threat In Aiken Mall

At the 1976 meeting of the New England College Newspaper Association held March 15 in Boston, The Michaelman was awarded the 1976 Alfred Forge Medal for outstanding content and form.

The paper was brought before the NECA by the request and recommendation of Robert Anshel. Anshel, a "Cop a Buzz" shales cited that the whole Michaelman staff was a "credit to the institution of St. Michael's."

Susie Sullivan, Editor-In-Chief of The Michaelman, will fly down to Boston to receive the medal. This is the first time St. Michael's has won the award. The last Vermont paper to win the Alfred Forge Medal was Middlebury's weekly, The Snort.

Mr. Snyder of the business department inquired as to the legality of placing seven sticks of dynamite packed in a crate of flushed out two squirrels and three pigeons before exploding the bomb, killing themselves and three curious dogs.

Achit' Mall was designed to handle the crowds of passersby and visiting students from other colleges and entertain them. Achit' Mall currently has no indoor, year-round tennis courts, no rathskeller with a capacity of 300, no nice gardens or fountains, no guest rooms, and is useful as a helicopter landing pad.

—by Wolfgang



Alumni Hall Begins Rehabilitation

The days of kegs and wine fests are over. The once famous Alumni Saloon has closed its doors to the evils of alcohol and opened their arms to a more pleasant way of entertaining. Based on a unanimous vote, the entire Alumni Hall has decided to prohibit (1) all forms of kegs and beer; (2) any form of intoxicating alcohol; (3) and any other form of "spirit lifting." It has also been mentioned that Alumni Hall will induce hours for females to visit. They will be from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. on weekdays and 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. on weekends. A security guard will be placed at each entrance.

Various social activities have been supplemented for the past "intoxicating" festivities. Director, states, "The new punishments: 1) Rooms are not kept spotless, and 2) Bicentennial quarters don't bounce on their beds.

Sanctions can include anything from a slap on the wrist to breaking crochets and needles to making them eat their soap carvings while reciting the National Anthem. The "patients" will be wearing any type of attire to show their participation in this act. "The You will notice very little blood-shot and glossy eyes, trembling hands or perverse language on the memo pads in Ryan." The program promises to be worth the effort. "We are trying to rid the school paper of such twisted headlines as "Alumni Drunks Rampage," etc.

The actual process of breaking the alcohol crutch will be done by the A.A. approved "graduated proof method." Drinks will be served at full proof for the first week then gradually weaken until beer-water and mixed drinks—the mixers.

Then the grueling process of withdrawal begins. The more serious cases will be placed in the basement where they can hit their heads against the broken dryers and count the tiles that were donated by the class of '57. The better cases will be forced to listen to the Peter Knickerbocker Show and count the number of serious callers.

As this reporter left the Hall, I noticed a proverb on the wall: "A \$40.00 at Beverage Warehouse."

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